

Final printed Edition

Look for a combined Immunization Program – CHILD Profile Newsletter on-line in 2007!

The Washington State Department of Health produces a quarterly newsletter called Immunization Update. Beginning in 2007 the information previously found in CP Connections will be incorporated into Immunization Update. The newsletter will be posted on both the home page of the Registry www.childprofile.wa.gov and at www.childprofile.org.

We hope that the combined newsletter will offer even more comprehensive information to you about what is going on in the world of vaccine and registries.

If you would like to receive the newsletter through email please call or email the helpdesk with your contact information.

What's New in the Registry?

A few highlights of changes and improvements over the past year...

Most of the changes in 2006 improved upon existing functionality – reducing key strokes, improving ease of use, and more data quality checks. A few examples:

- The November release included a feature that allows a System Administrator the ability to easily inactivate “Physician/Vaccinator” accounts when the linked user account is inactivated.
- An additional setting was added to “Personal Settings” which allows a user to select the default field to position the cursor in when accessing the “Patient Search” window. So if you’re a user who always likes to enter the first initial of the last name and birthdate, you can set the cursor to land on the last name field right off the bat.
- A birth date warning now appears on the Patient Edit screen. If you try to change a birth date to one that is AFTER an existing shot record, you get the message: “The patient’s birth date may not be changed to a date after one of their shots.”
- Local public health can now export data into CoCASA for all facilities in their county, thus saving time for both public health staff and the staff in private practices.

Several new vaccines were added to our list of immunizations

- Rotavirus – pentavalent (for RotaTeq)
- HPV-quadrivalent (for Gardasil),
- Zoster (for Zostavax, the new shingles vaccine).

Forecasts for these new vaccines will be added once they are available from the state.

Note: whenever we upgrade the system, we post a description of changes in the Announcements section on the Home Page. Please look for these!

Do you wonder how much progress the Registry has made in the past year? Here are a few interesting statistics:

- Percentage of participating providers increased from 696 facilities to over 800 (or from 62% to 70% of the total in the state).
- 71 school districts have enrolled (view-only access).
- Number of immunizations in the system increased from 22 million to almost 29 million.
- Proportion of children under age six with two or more immunizations in the Registry grew from 68% to 77%.
- Number of children 19-35 months of age with an up-to-date immunization record in the Registry increased from 33,541 to 41,269 (using the measure of 4 doses of DTaP, 3 IPV, 1 MMR, 3 Hib, 3 Hepatitis B).

Washington and Oregon immunization data exchange begins

A registry-to-registry immunization data sharing agreement between Washington and Oregon was signed at the end of June. Exchange of data began shortly thereafter --- after eight years in the making!

Many people cross the state line for medical care for themselves and their children. They may see health care providers in both states. The agreement allows providers using immunization registries in either state to view patient immunization records from the other state. The data sharing will help assure that kids living in Washington and Oregon are getting the right shots, reduce the chance of getting duplicate shots, and help parents maintain accurate immunization records for their children. It'll also help us assure that most parents of young children in Washington are being sent immunization/well-child checkup reminders and other information through the CHILD Profile Health Promotion System.

To date, CHILD Profile has received 700,000 immunizations for over 72,000 children in Oregon's Immunization Registry (called ALERT). In turn, CHILD Profile has sent records for 26,000 children in our system with Oregon addresses. Data sharing will occur on a monthly basis via batch exchange, for children with addresses in the other state. The eventual goal is to have real-time exchange available similar to the current registry-to-registry links with Idaho and Louisiana.

Third Party Vaccine Distribution & A New Vaccine Ordering Module

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is centralizing vaccine inventory and distribution for the Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program at the national level. This effort is known as the Vaccine Management Business Improvement Project, or VMBIP. CDC will select a third party vaccine distributor to accomplish this.

In order to participate in the national VFC Program and continue Washington's childhood vaccine program, Washington will begin using the third party vaccine distribution process in early 2007.

childhood vaccine program through their local health departments. Providers place orders with and receive vaccine from their local health departments. With third party vaccine distribution, providers will continue to place vaccine orders through their local health department for approval. The orders will be processed by the State Department of Health, and then vaccine will be shipped to the provider's office from a company specializing in the distribution of vaccines and other pharmaceuticals.

In the near future, Washington will be moving to automated vaccine ordering through CHILD Profile Immunization Registry. We plan to implement the use of the Immunization Registry for vaccine ordering and other vaccine management and reporting functions in phases. When we first transition to third party vaccine distribution, local health departments will be using the registry to place orders through the registry on behalf of providers.

Throughout 2007, we will work closely with local health departments to encourage and facilitate the use of the registry for vaccine ordering by providers who currently use the registry. Providers will need to work with their local health department to be approved to order vaccine using CHILD Profile Immunization Registry. By the end of 2008, we hope to have the majority of providers in Washington using the registry to place their vaccine orders. Local health departments will always review and approve vaccine orders prior to their being processed by the State Department of Health.

We also plan to develop or enhance the capacity of the registry to support required provider reports and inventory management for state supplied vaccine. Our ultimate goal is "one-stop-shopping," for all vaccine ordering, management and reporting, utilizing CHILD Profile Immunization Registry.

Stay tuned for more information about these exciting developments. For more information about third party vaccine distribution, please contact your local health department, or Jan Hicks-Thomson, at Jan.Hicks-Thomson@doh.wa.gov, or 360-236-3578.

Currently, Washington providers participate in the

Need Help Making Vaccine Choices in CHILD Profile?

If you are manually entering vaccinations in to the CHILD Profile Immunization Registry, you may be confused by the long list of vaccines available. Plus you see drop down lists to choose even more vaccines. How can you make the “best” vaccine choice?

Rely on the tools CHILD Profile provides – online and on paper.

1. Visit this link on the CHILD Profile Immunization Registry - <https://fortress.wa.gov/doh/cpir/iweb/VaccineChoices-CPTforWeb.pdf>. You will see the “Best Vaccine Choices” to make. You can print this list for future use.
2. Call the CHILD Profile Help Desk at 800/325-5599 and request a copy of the “Best Vaccine Choices” list via FAX or email. Help Desk staff are always available to help you make a vaccine choice.
3. Check this issue of CP Connections for a copy of this document.

Does your office manage your vaccine inventory in CHILD Profile?

If your answer is yes, choosing the “best vaccine” is even more important. One key to successful vaccine inventory management is matching the vaccine choice on the Vaccinations View/Add screen to the name of the vaccine used when loading your vaccine inventory. These two names must match.

For example, the “best vaccine choice” for Hib vaccine is Hib-PRP-T.

- ☒ When you load your vaccine inventory, always enter it as Hib-PRP-T.
- ☒ When you add a Hib vaccine on the Vaccination View/Add screen, always enter a date opposite the vaccine name, Hib-PRP-T

Sometimes you will see vaccination dates entered under more than one name. Hepatitis B is one good example. The birth dose of Hepatitis B may show up as Hepatitis B – unspecified. A Hepatitis B immunization entered

manually may show up as, Hepatitis B – Ped/Adol - Preserv Free. A Hepatitis B immunization that came into

the registry from a data file may show up as, Hepatitis B – pediatric or adolescent. On your patient immunization records, these different names will be combined and accurately show total doses. When you load your Hepatitis B vaccine inventory, the “best choice” is Hepatitis B – Ped/Adol - Preserv Free.

Helpful Hints from the HelpDesk:

1. If your patients request a copy of their (or their child's) immunization record, the preferred place to run this report is under "Reports" in the Menu on the left. Select "Patient Record" to go to the Patient Record screen. You can choose to either include or not include confidential information (such as address). You can either print a vaccination summary or all recorded vaccines. Checking the "Printable Record" box will print out the record in a table format. Click "Create Report", then print. ***Remember that the CIS form found under State Reports lists only those vaccines required for school entry.***
2. When running a Vaccine Administered Report out of CHILD Profile, do **NOT** use the Vaccine Administered Report found in Report Module under "Reports" in the Menu on the left. This administered report is programmed for other states who document their VFC vaccine differently than Washington State and will result in an incorrect report. The report Washington State providers should run is in **STATE REPORTS** under "Reports" in the Menu called "Washington State Vaccine Administered Report".



“Best” Vaccine Choices in CHILD Profile for Administered, State-Supplied Vaccines, with Manufacturer Information



Vaccine Name	Manufacturer Name	Manufacturer Code
DTaP (90700)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sanofi Pasteur OR GlaxoSmithKline for Infanrix 	PMC SKB
Hep A 2 dose – Ped/Adol (90633)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Merck OR GlaxoSmithKline 	MSD SKB
Hep B Ped/Adol – Preserv Free (90744)	Merck	MSD
Hib--PRP-T (90648)	Sanofi Pasteur	PMC
IPV (90713)	Sanofi Pasteur	PMC
Meningococcal Conjugate (MCV4) (90734)	Sanofi Pasteur	PMC
MMR (90707)	Merck	MSD
Pneumococcal (PCV7) (90669)	Wyeth Lederle	WAL
Td (Adult) (90718)	Sanofi Pasteur	PMC
Td Adult, Preserv Free (90714)	Sanofi Pasteur	PMC
Tdap (90715) (Boostrix)	GlaxoSmithKline	SKB
Varicella (90716)	Merck	MSD
Influenza Vaccine Choices		
Influenza split (90655) 6 – 35 mos. Pre-filled syringes, preservative free, .25 ml	Sanofi Pasteur	PMC
Influenza split (90657) 6 – 35 months, multi-dose vials, contains preservative, .25 ml	Sanofi Pasteur	PMC
Influenza split (90658), 36 months – 18 yrs, multi-dose vials, contains preservative, .5 ml	Sanofi Pasteur	PMC
Influenza split (90656) 3 years and above, single dose syringes, preservative free, .5ml	Sanofi Pasteur	PMC
Influenza split (90658) – 4 years to adult, multi-dose vials, contains preservative, .5 ml	Novartis (formerly Chiron)	NOV
Influenza nasal spray (90660) 4 years to adult	MedImmune	MED

CHILD Profile Health Promotion Update

New Preschool-age Development chart to be sent to parents of 3 year olds

The new CHILD Profile Preschool Age Development chart has been printed and mailing began mid-October to parents of 3 year olds in Washington. This new material was developed through a unique public-private partnership made up of Foundation for Early Learning, Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Kirlin Foundation, and Talaris Research Institute. A great deal of collaboration, parent input, and professional review went into creating this high quality brochure that addresses school-readiness and other aspects of child health and learning, in very accessible ways for parents and other caregivers. The colorful chart gives parents and caregivers ideas for how to encourage their child's development in the five dimensions of development.

CHILD Profile Development Charts are available to child care and health care providers

This fall, the CHILD Profile age-specific development charts created for parents are for the first time being made available to over 25,000 child care and health care providers across Washington State, thanks to support from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and the Kirlin Foundation. The series of three charts, based on state and national early learning research and guidelines, describes the 5 domains of child development and offer tips for caregivers to encourage healthy development. The series of development charts cover three age ranges:

- Infants (0-18 months)
- Toddlers (18 months - 3 years)
- Pre-school age (3 to 5 years)

Members of the target groups, including the health and child care providers below, will be given one set of the three charts, along with a survey about the usefulness of the charts to their work with families. In addition, these providers will be given instructions about how to order additional quantities of the charts at no charge.

“Dirt Alert” local mailings to Pierce & King County

In early August, a local mailing was conducted through CHILD Profile to provide a brochure about lead and

arsenic in soil to Pierce county residents in areas affected by the Asarco smelter. The brochure offers tips to help children minimize exposure and directs parents to the local health jurisdiction for additional resources and information. In October, a similar brochure will be sent to parents in affected King County areas. These two local mailings represent CHILD Profile's continuing work to pilot use of the system for geographically targeted mailings.

School-readiness booklet to be revised and reinserted in CHILD Profile mailings

In partnership with the Foundation for Early Learning, CHILD Profile Health Promotion is participating in the revision of the Getting School Ready booklet. The booklet will be expanded to include more information on health and immunization, as important factors to school readiness. The expanded booklet will also include an introductory letter from Superintendent of Public Instruction, Terry Bergeson, and will respond to CHILD Profile parent survey results about the additional information parents want regarding school-readiness. We are optimistic that printing a 2 year supply will be possible through this partnership.

Flu inserts to be sent to parents; interest in emergency prep insert

Once again, the one-panel flu insert was sent in all mailings from 6 months to 6 years for the duration of the flu season – approximately mid-October through January. Following this, there is interest from Department of Health Emergency Preparedness in inserting a material in multiple mailings about family preparedness and how it relates to pandemic flu and other emergency situations.

Bookmark available promoting CHILD Profile parent mailings

A new bookmark-sized handout is available to inform parents of the CHILD Profile mailings, and how to begin receiving the mailings if they aren't already. The bookmark is printed with English on one side and Spanish on the other, to also make Spanish speaking parents aware the mailings are available in Spanish. All children born in Washington are automatically enrolled in CHILD Profile, and currently about 86% of WA children under age 6 receive the mailings. The bookmark

is designed to help reach parents of children who are not receiving the mailings, like those born outside of the state, or adopted children not systematically entered. Quantities of the bookmark can be ordered free of charge by calling 206-296-2785 or by emailing child-profile.health@metrokc.gov

Washington parents sent CHILD Profile mailings

As of 8/31/06, 405,127 parents of children birth to age 6 were being sent mailings, and 877,611 mailings were sent so far this year. Also, as of 8/31/06, 21,244 parents were receiving the mailings in Spanish, or 5.2% of the total children receiving mailings.

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School Districts Link to CHILD Profile

Over 70 school districts, representing 23 counties, have gone to www.childprofile.org, clicked on the school icon and completed the steps to access the registry for the schools in their district. The transition to allow access to schools has gone very smoothly and it is anticipated that over the next several months many more districts will complete the necessary steps. School personnel can view data and print immunization records including the Certificate of Immunizations (CIS) that parents are required to submit for school entry. The response from schools has been overwhelmingly positive and providers in the community have noticed a reduction in requests for records. Local Health Districts have already been considering plans for collaborative community projects involving schools and the registry.

Important Reminder about Entering Birth Dates

We know Registry users care as much about data quality as CHILD Profile staff, including accurate patient birth dates. Maintaining accurate birth dates will make your reminder/recall, CASA, vaccine forecasts, and other reports more useful to your practice. In addition, CHILD Profile sends age-specific health promotion mailings to parents based on their child's birth date in the Registry. Recently, a few child-focused mailings were inadvertently sent to adults because their birth dates were incorrect in the system. This usually happens when a default birth date is entered when the real birth date is unknown. We need your help to prevent this from happening and help us best use our resources. Thank you for your continuing good work to maintain high data quality in CHILD Profile.

